

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Ed and Betty Perry exchanged their wedding vows on September 14, 1946, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

*Whereas*, The newlywed couple of 60 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

*Whereas*, Drs. Ed and Betty Perry received their medical degrees in Illinois, married and moved to Redfield, South Dakota, where they began their medical practices; and,

*Whereas*, Ed and Betty gave life and love to two daughters, Sarah and Martha; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Ed Perry was a flight instructor and taught his wife, daughters and others to fly, and also flew patients needing medical care to other communities, when necessary; and,

*Whereas*, Dr. Betty Perry served the South Dakota Society of Internal Medicine as chairperson for a number of years; and,

*Whereas*, Ed and Betty will observe their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as their friends and relatives gather to honor the couple on May 20, 2006, to celebrate their lives and the camaraderie of the day; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this special occasion in the lives of these two people who have lived exemplary lives for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2006, as

### *ED AND BETTY PERRY DAY*

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeen Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

*M. Michael Rounds*  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Ch. Nelson*  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State